

Conor Pacific Begins Environmental Cleanup and Redevelopment of Its Largest Brownfield Project

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Environmental firm Conor Pacific, will be breaking new ground in the brownfield redevelopment business, as it begins cleanup and redevelopment of a 68-acre site near Calgary, Alberta Conor Pacific Environmental Technologies Inc. (Conor Pacific) announced today that it will begin the environmental cleanup, construction and redevelopment of it largest brownfield project in Canada. The 68-acre property is an environmentally contaminated site located just north of Calgary, Alberta in downtown Cochrane. Formerly used as a wood preservative treatment facility by Domtar Inc., the land had been vacant for more than 15 years when Conor Pacific and Domtar first began to discuss its cleanup and renewal.

Those discussions eventually led to Conor Pacific's purchase of the property and a comprehensive process that included extensive participation from the community and regulatory authorities. When completed, the site will include residential, commercial and industrial developments. A 130,000 square foot shopping centre will be home to Safeway and Canadian Tire as well as other smaller retailers. The project is Conor Pacific's second brownfield redevelopment project and its largest to date. Total development expenditures by Conor Pacific and site developers over the course of the entire project are expected to exceed \$50 million.

The project breaks new ground in the relatively new business of brownfield redevelopment. Brownfields are idle or under-used properties or facilities where redevelopment is complicated by environmental contamination. Although many environmental firms are involved in site remediation (cleanup), Conor Pacific is the first environmental firm in Canada to develop a full-service brownfield redevelopment business integrating environmental and risk management services, environmental technologies, site remediation contracting and real estate development expertise. In making the announcement, Jeff Devins, President of Conor Pacific's brownfield division, said, ``This project is an excellent example of how to turn a corporate and community liability into a productive asset of benefit to the whole community. Members of the community generously participated to the fullest extent in the development of the remediation program and, as a company, we're proud that the investment we are making will benefit the neighborhood, the municipality and the community at large, while providing a significant business opportunity for Conor Pacific." Conor Pacific is currently working on additional brownfield development opportunities in Calgary, Edmonton, Vancouver, Toronto and Hamilton, Ontario.

Conor Pacific is one of Canada's leading firms providing complete environmental solutions and products. With offices across Canada and in the United States, Conor Pacific is a leader in site assessment and remediation, brownfield development, water and wastewater treatment, risk assessment and a wide range of environmental services including air quality monitoring and environmental impact assessment. Web site: www.conorpacific.com.

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